

**STATE OF ILLINOIS**  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
**Proclamation**

*WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) for Children recognizes that children have unique physiological responses to illness and injury; and,*

*WHEREAS, EMS for Children promotes a specialized approach to pediatric care; and,*

*WHEREAS, Illinois' emergency medical services system strives to integrate pediatric emergency care needs across a wide spectrum; and,*

*WHEREAS, in Illinois there are 11 standby emergency departments and 89 emergency departments approved for pediatrics; 10 pediatric critical care centers; 7,894 first responder defibrillators; 20,469 basic, 605 intermediate, and 15,768 paramedic EMTs; 4,959 emergency communications registered nurses; 2,702 trauma nurse specialists; 409 pre-hospital registered nurses; and 2,892 emergency medical dispatchers dedicated to promoting preventive measures, pre-hospital care, emergency department services, outpatient and specialized services, and inpatient and rehabilitative care; and,*

*WHEREAS, Illinois champions the nation's EMS for Children commitment to reduce childhood morbidity and mortality associated with severe illness and trauma;*

*THEREFORE, I, Bruce Rauner, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim May 24, 2017, as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN DAY in Illinois.*

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.*



*Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,*  
this THIRTEENTH day of APRIL, in  
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and  
SEVENTEEN, and of the State of Illinois,  
NINETY-NINTH  
one hundred and \_\_\_\_\_.

*Deese White*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Bruce Rauner*  
GOVERNOR